

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN RE: NATIONAL GRID - RETAIL RATE FILING

DOCKET NO. 3788

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to the provisions of Sections 39-1-1 and 39-3-11 of the General Laws, as amended, the Public Utilities Commission ("Commission") will conduct a public hearing on **Thursday, December 14, 2006 @ 9:30 A.M.** in Hearing Room A of the Public Utilities Commission, located at 89 Jefferson Boulevard, Warwick, Rhode Island. The hearing may continue thereafter from day to day and time to time as required.

In this docket, the Commission will consider the propriety of National Grid's annual retail rate filing to reconcile its tariff adjustment provisions through October 2006, estimating its 2007 expenses and revenues under these provisions, and proposing rate changes effective January 1, 2007. Specifically, National Grid seeks approval to implement the following rate changes: 1) a decrease to the Transition Charge from the current level of 0.575¢ per kWh to 0.559¢ per kWh, 2) an increase to the average Transmission Service Charge from 0.772¢ per kWh to 0.874¢ per kWh, and 3) a decrease to the Standard Offer Service charge from 9.4¢ per kWh to 8.3¢ per kWh. The combined effect of the company's proposed rate changes would result in a decrease of \$5.11 per month or 6.6%, from \$77.82 to \$72.71 to a typical residential customer using 500 kWh per month. National Grid also proposes to continue the low-income credit of 1.24¢ per kWh applicable to the first 450 kWh of usage per month to eligible customers. The Commission may approve different rates that may be higher or lower than that proposed by National Grid.

The filing is on file for examination at the Commission's office and at the office of the National Grid, 280 Melrose Street, Providence, Rhode Island. The filing can also be accessed at www.ripuc.org/eventsactions/docket/3788page.html.

Reference is made to Chapters 39-1, 39-3 and 42-35 of the Rhode Island General Laws; specifically Sections 39-1-7, 39-1-8, 39-1-11, 39-1-12, 39-1-18, 39-1-20, 42-35-8 and 42-35-10.

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION IS ACCESSIBLE TO THE HANDICAPPED. INDIVIDUALS REQUESTING INTERPRETER SERVICES FOR THE HEARING IMPAIRED MUST NOTIFY THE COMMISSION CLERK'S OFFICE AT 945-4500, SEVENTY-TWO HOURS IN ADVANCE OF HEARING DATE.

Luly E. Massaro
Commission Clerk
December 4, 2006